ASCS Today

By Tom Conrad

USDA Announces Pilot Crop Insurance Program-Secretary of Agriculture, Bob Bergland has announced a Pilot Crop Insurance Program under which County Committees from ASCS will cooperate with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) in administering the Crop Insurance Program at the county level. The goal of the program is to test the feasibility of operating certain phases of the program through ASCS County Committees. Initially, 20 counties in nine states have been selected to participate in the program.

According to Secretary Bergland, the basic provisions of the Crop Insurance Program remain unchanged. However, committees in designated counties will begin to establish farm coverage based on FCIC data and review of individual farm operations. Also, ASCS county offices will perform general administrative work and become the contact point for FCIC insureds in the county. FCIC will continue to have sole operational responsibility in all other counties where insurance is available.

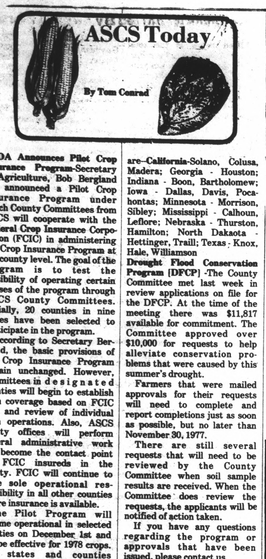
The Pilot Program will become operational in selected counties on December 1st and will be effective for 1978 crops. The states and counties selected for the Pilot project are--California-Solano, Colusa, Madera; Georgia - Houston; Indiana - Boon, Bartholomew; Iowa - Dallas, Davis, Pocahontas; Minnesota - Morrison, Sibley; Mississippi - Calhoun, Leflore; Nebraska - Thurston, Hamilton; North Dakaota - Hettinger, Traill; Texas - Knox, Hale, Williamson

Drought Flood Conservation Program [DFCP] -The County Committee met last week in review applications on file for the DFCP. At the time of the meeting there was $11,817 available for commitment. The Committee approved over $10,000 for requests to help alleviate conservation problems that were caused by this summer's drought.

Farmers that were mailed approvals for their requests will need to complete and report completions just as soon as possible, but no later than November 30, 1977.

There are still several requests that will need to be reviewed by the County Committee when soil sample results are received. When the Committee does review the requests, the applicants will be notified of action taken.

If you have any questions regarding the program or approvals that have been issued, please contact us.



FAST TRAVELLING BALLOON

Mrs. Margaret Forest is shown above with fast traveling balloon that she and her husband, Lloyd, found on their farm.

The balloon was launched September 11, 1977 by the Christian Church in Heyworth, Illinois and was found by the Forests on their farm near Spring Mill at 1 p.m. on September 12. That is really moving on!

PAMPLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon. Sept. 26 - Slice' roast turkey w/gravy, whipped potatoes, cranberry salad w/lettuce, green peas, rolls, butter, milk.

Tues. Sept. 27 - Pizza, green beans, citrus fruit cup, cookies, milk.

Wed. Sept. 28 - Ravioli casserole, turnip greens, pickled beets, hot rolls, milk.

Thurs. Sept. 29 - Hamburgers mixed vegetables, sliced tomatoes, potato chips, pears, milk.

Fr. Sept. 30 - WORKDAY FOR TEACHERS.

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This year the FBLA will be busy with many projects. We entered an exhibit entitled "Look What Appomattox FBLA'ers Are Doing", which won third place in the Five County Fair.

October 3-14, 1977, the FBLA members will be selling Cherrydale Candy. This is our main money-making project and we would appreciate the public's support.

On November 12, 1977, the FBLA will sponsor a Dance-a-thon, Rock-a-thon for the March of Dimes.

In March we will be entering competitive events at Regional level in hopes of winning and going on to the State level.

The Future Business Leaders of America are looking forward to a prosperous year.

"WOODSY OWL" VISITS KINDERGARTEN

Students from Miss Gaines' kindergarten class talked to Woodsy Owl Friday during his visit to the Appomattox Primary School. Woodsy and Westvaco forester Karen Knapp stopped in to remind the kindergarteners to fight pollution at home and at school. The students pledged to be 'clean birds' instead of 'dirty birds'.

Woodsy will be participating in the Railroad Festival on October 8, 1977.

HOMECOMING DAY

The Bethany P. H. Church will observe Homecoming Sunday, Sept. 25. The Rev. Cody Rigley, a former pastor of the church, will be the guest speaker.

Lunch will be served at 12:30 on the church grounds and a song service will begin at 2 p.m. The church is located on Rt. 650. The pastor, the Rev. Eli Layne, invites the public to attend.

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Union Baptizing Service This Sunday at 10:30 A.M.

Union baptizing service of the Promise Land,Mt. Shiloh and Galilee Baptist churches will be held this Sunday morning at the Promise Land Baptist Church. Officers, members and friends are asked to attend. The pastor will deliver a special message to the young candidates and the Holy Communion will be served at the close of the morning message.

The "Seven Wonders" an outstanding female singing group of Lynchburg, Va. will render a musical program at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 7 p.m. This service will take place of the regular evening service. All officers, members and friends are asked to attend.

An overflow crowd attended the anniversary program of the Appomattox Trumpteers last Sunday evening at 6:30. The Rev. J. W. Paige served as master of ceremony. The devotionals were conducted by the Reverends A. H. Jones and Harrison Kelso. Words of welcome were given by the Rev. R. Q. Lawing, deacon Pinn of the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church accepted the welcome on behalf of the entire audience. The following groups made up the program: The Tom's Sisters, of Massie Mills, the Heavenly Echoes, Staunton, Va.; The Walthall Brothers, Lynchburg, Va. and the Heavenly Gospel Singers of Cullen, Va. The offering was very good. The Trumpteers were presented to the audience by the booking agent, deacon John D. Johnson. All who came enjoyed the evening of music.

Impressive service was held at the Galile Baptist Church Sunday morning. The pastor delivered an inspiring message on the theme: "The Potter and the Clay." Beautiful music was rendered by the combined choirs.

The Appomattox Assembly opened its fall program last Wednesday in the Fellowship hall of the Galilee Baptist Church. The attendance was good. Plans were set for the next monthly meeting on October 12. A committee was appointed to serve refreshments at the next meeting. All interested individuals are cordially invited to attend.

Regular preaching service was held at the Zion Baptist Church last Sunday. The pastor Rev. L. E. Hankins delivered a very helpful sermon on the theme: "The Lord Will Provide." Beautiful music was rendered by the Junior Choir. The general public is cordially invited to attend the 14th anniversary of the Pastor's Aid this Sunday evening at 3 p.m. The Rev. Bernard Davis of Amherst, Va. will be the guest speaker. Music will be rendered by the Triumph Baptist Church Junior choir. We extend to the Rev. Wyatt Venable and Family our sincere sympathy in the death of his father. Funeral rites were held at the White Oak Grove Baptist Church on Wednesday at 1 p.m. Mrs. Susie Hunter and daughter visited her step mother, Mrs. Indian Graham who is sick.

A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the funeral service of the late Mrs. Nettie M. Bumgardner last Tuesday at the Chestnut Grove Baptist Church. The Rev. R. Q. Lawing, Sr. officiated and delivered the eulogy. He was assisted in the service by his son R. Q. Lawing, Jr. Music was rendered by members of the Galilee and Promise Land Church choirs.

The floral designs were in large numbers. Burial was conducted in the family plot in the church cemetery. West Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BETHLEHAM METHODIST HOMECOMING SEPTEMBER 25

"Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Concord is having their homecoming Sept 25. Rev. Wyndham N. Gregory, pastor of the church will deliver the homecoming sermon. Special music will be presented by the adult choir, the Bethlehem Singers and guests Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coffey from Early's Chapel United Methodist Church. A covered dish dinner will be served on the church grounds immediately following the morning service."

TV APPEARANCES

Ms. Patsy Butler, Festival Chairperson, and Ms. Evelyn Heising, Vice-Chairperson, will be appearing on Panorama, Friday, September 23. Panorama, hosted by Polly Ayers, is broadcast on WDBJ, Channel 7 from 1 - 1:30.

During the show slides from previous festivals will be shown along with handmade crafts from the Appomattox area. This appearance is to promote the Fifth Annual Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival to be held October 8 and 9.

These ladies will also be appearing on the Farm and Home Show, hosted by Mrs. Shirley Walton, on Saturday, October 1. The Farm and Home Show is broadcast by WSET, Channel 13, on Saturday mornings at 8 a.m.

We would like to thank both these stations for their cooperation in promoting the Railroad Festival.

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Topics to be covered include: how to increase your profit and get greater exposure, how to use color in ads, the ins and outs of broadcast media and other forms of advertising and more advertising miles per dollar.

The instructor for this course will be Mr. Fred Brooks from the Advertising Department of The Lynchburg News and Daily Advance. Mr. Brooks is graduate of Amherst County High School and a native born Virginian. He has varied experience in advertising and is well aware of the needs of small businessmen as he services almost one hundred small accounts.

The workshop will be held on Thursday evenings from Oct. 6 - Nov. 3. The workshop will be held at the Appomattox County High School in the DE department. The course will run from 7 - 10 p.m.

The workshop fee will be $7.50, which will cover the instructor's fee, refreshments at every session and all other instructional materials.

For further information please contact Lorraine Burgess, Distributive Education Coordinator, at 352-7146.

District DAR Meeting Planned

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of District III, Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution will be held on Thurs., Sept. 22, 10 a.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Amherst, Va. with Mrs. Robert B. Carpenter, Jr., District Director presiding. Amherst Chapter will be hostess. Mrs. Eldred M. Yochim, State Regent, will be guest of honor and speaker. Representatives of the eighteen chapters in the ten county area will be in attendance. District III includes the counties of Amelia, Amherst, Appomattox, Campbell, Halifax, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Prittsylvania, Prince Edward and the cities of Danville and Lynchburg.

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The 1977 Five County Fair Dress Revue which was held during the past week in Farmville was not missed by very many Appomattox County youngsters. Between 4-H and the FHA in our local schools, Appomattox stole the show!

In the Senior Division, Appomattox had eleven girls modeling. Girls modeling in the Junior Division, however, seemed to come out of the woodwork as they doubled the seniors with a total of twenty-three.

All of the youngsters truly represented Appomattox well in their beautiful garments. Their sewing talents which were seen all over, is something that many mons and dads can certainly be proud of. Three cheers for the Appomattox kids!

The blossoming beauties shown in above photo represented Appomattox County, with pride, during the Five County Fair. Many were winners, too.

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Cumberland	2,788.07
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Goochland	1,630.35
Louisa	305.57
Nelson	11,702.61
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